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Summary record of the 45th meeting
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Chairman: Mr. Niculescu (Vice-Chairman) ..... (Romania)

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99-82610 (E)

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Niculescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 3.30 p.m.

Agenda item 100: Environment and sustainable development *(continued)* (A/C.2/54/L.16, L.59, L.60 and L.61)

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 *(continued)*

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States *(continued)*

Draft resolution on the World Solar Programme 1996-2005 (A/C.2/54/L.16 and L.61)

1. **The Chairman**, speaking on behalf of Mr. Matute (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.61, which was being submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.16.

2. **Mr. Mutiwanuka** (Zimbabwe) made an editorial correction in paragraph 8.

3. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.61, as orally amended, was adopted.*

4. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.16 was withdrawn.*

Draft resolution on enhancing complementarities among international instruments related to environment and sustainable development (A/C.2/54/L.22 and L.59)

5. **The Chairman**, speaking on behalf of Mr. Matute (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.59, which was being submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.22.

6. **Mr. Maksimychev** (Russian Federation) said that the following phrase should be added at the end of the last line of paragraph 6: "under the agenda item 'Environment and Sustainable Development'".

7. **Mr. Aho-Glele** (Benin) drew attention to a typographical error in paragraph 3 of the French version.

8. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.59, as orally amended, was adopted.*

9. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.22 was withdrawn.*

Draft resolution on promoting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development (A/C.2/54/L.60)

10. **Mr. Matute** (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.60, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations.

11. **Mr. Chouinard** (Canada) made editorial corrections to the eighth preambular paragraph and the second operative paragraph in the English version.

12. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.60, as orally corrected, was adopted.*

The meeting rose at 3.50 p.m.

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Summary record of the 46th meeting
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Chairman: Mr. Matute (Vice-Chairman) ..... (Peru)
later: Mr. Niculescu (Vice-Chairman) ..... (Romania)

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99-82622 (E)

In the absence of Mr. Olhaye (Djibouti), Mr. Matute (Peru), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 3.25 p.m.

Agenda item 98: Sectoral policy questions (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.27 and L.64)

(c) Industrial development cooperation (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (A/C.2/54/L.27 and L.64)

1. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.64, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.27, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

2. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.64 was adopted.*

3. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.27 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 99: Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.20 and L.63; A/54/8)

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on the implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/C.2/54/L.20 and L.63)

4. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.63, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.20, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

5. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.63 was adopted.*

6. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.20 was withdrawn.*

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (*continued*)

7. **The Chairman** drew attention to the report of the Commission on Human Settlements (A/54/8), containing the text of resolution 17/1, entitled "Follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)" which the Commission wished to recommend to the General Assembly for adoption. The resolution had been considered in informal consultations and no changes had been proposed. He therefore suggested that the Committee should recommend it to the General Assembly for adoption.

8. *It was so decided.*

9. **Mr. Yao** (Côte d'Ivoire) said that it had been his understanding that it had been decided, during the informal consultations, that paragraph 3 of the resolution should be deleted.

10. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman and Coordinator for the sub-item, said that paragraph 3 would, indeed, be deleted.

11. **The Chairman** suggested that the Committee should adopt the following draft decision:

> "The General Assembly takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda (A/54/322)"

12. *The draft decision was adopted.*

13. *Mr. Niculescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.*

Agenda item 100: Environment and sustainable development (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.17 and L.67)

Draft resolutions on the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (A/C.2/54/L.17 and L.67)

14. **Mr. Matute** (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.67, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.17, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

15. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.67 was adopted.*

16. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.17 was withdrawn.*

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/C.2/54/L.8 and L.62)

17. **Ms. Kelley** (Secretary of the Committee), reading out a statement of programme budget implications for draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, said that the conference servicing requirements for the biennium 2000-2001 of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies were estimated at US$ 3,615,000 at full cost. The extent to which the Organization's permanent capacity would need to be supplemented by temporary assistance resources could be determined only in the light of the calendar of conferences and meetings for the biennium 2000-2001. However, provision was made under section 2, General Assembly Affairs and Conference Servicing, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-20001 not only for meetings programmed at the time of budget preparation, but also for meetings authorized subsequently provided that the number and distribution of meetings were consistent with the pattern of meetings per year, experienced in the past. Consequently, should draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62 be adopted, no additional appropriations under section 2 would be required in the 2000-2001 programme budget.

18. **Mr. Matute** (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.8, and recommended its adoption.

19. **Mr. Biaou** (Benin), speaking as coordinator for the Group of 77 and China on the item, pointed out that paragraphs 5 and 22 were identical; paragraph 5 should therefore be deleted.

20. **The Chairman** said that paragraph 5 would be deleted, and the following paragraphs would be renumbered accordingly.

21. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, as orally revised, was adopted.*

22. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.8 was withdrawn.*

The meeting rose at 4 p.m.

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Summary record of the 47th meeting
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Chairman: Mr. Brauzzi (Vice-Chairman) ..... (Italy)

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99-82635 (E)

In the absence of Mr. Olhaye (Djibouti), Mr. Brauzzi (Italy), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 3.40 p.m.

Agenda item 98: Sectoral policy questions (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.35 and A/C.2/54/L.68)

(b) Business and development (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on prevention of corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds (A/C.2/54/L.35 and A/C.2/54/L.68)

1. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.68, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.35 and recommended its adoption by consensus.

2. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.68 was adopted.*

3. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.35 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 99: Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.13 and A/C.2/54/L.66)

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (*continued*)

Draft resolutions on implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (A/C.2/54/L.13 and A/C.2/54/L.66)

4. **Ms. Kelley** (Secretary of the Committee) read out the text of the statement on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.66, which drew attention to the contents of paragraphs 4 and 9 of the draft resolution, and stated that resources for the activities of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements had been included in the relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001.

5. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.66, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.13. After drawing attention to a number of editorial changes and pointing out that the fourth preambular paragraph and its corresponding footnote should be deleted, he recommended the adoption of the draft resolution by consensus.

6. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.66 was adopted.*

7. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.13 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 105: Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.3 and A/C.2/54/L.69)

Draft resolutions on implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (A/C.2/54/L.3 and A/C.2/54/L.69)

8. **The Chairman** said that he had received a request to postpone action on the draft resolution. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee agreed to do so.

9. *It was so decided.*

The meeting rose at 3.50 p.m.